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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

ERIC SELVIN, ET AL.

Application No.: 10/600,947

Filed: June 20, 2003

For: **Structures to Mechanically Stabilize  
Isolated Top-Level Metal Lines**

Art Group: 2822

Examiner: Pamela E. Perkins

**STATUS INQUIRY**

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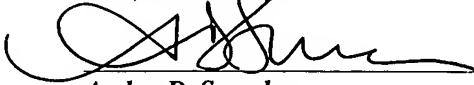
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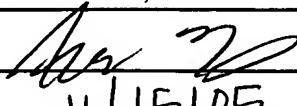
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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## **FEES CALCULATION**

## 1. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

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1202	50	2202	25	Claims in excess of 20
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1203	360	2203	180	Multiple Dependent claim, if not paid
1204	300	2204	150	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	300	2205	150	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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## 2. ADDITIONAL FEES

**Large Entity**      **Small Entity**

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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.
2053	130	2053	130	Non-English specification
1251	120	2251	60	Extension for reply within first month
1252	450	2252	225	Extension for reply within second month
1253	1,020	2253	510	Extension for reply within third month
1254	1,590	2254	795	Extension for reply within fourth month
1255	2,160	2255	1,080	Extension for reply within fifth month
1401	500	2401	250	Notice of Appeal
1402	500	2402	250	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
1403	1,000	2403	500	Request for oral hearing
1451		2451		Petition to institute a public use proceeding
1460	130	2460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt
1809	790	1809	395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))
1810	790	2810	395	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))

### Fee Paid

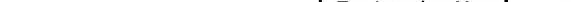
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